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COVER

Don't be scared! It's just a kitten, and a lovable one. He's only putting on his Halloween act says Lois Anne Davis of Pittsburgh, his owner and our artist, because she needed him for a model.

IDEOLOGIES AND CATS

With the visit of Premier Khrushchev to America come to mind various external difference between his country and ours.

The natural one for us to consider is the cat situation. Strange how little data we have on pets in Russia.

Here where Fala and Checkers have been household words, where Senator Neuberger's Muffet and Ernest Hemingway's feline household are famous, we hear about Russian pets from the days of Pavlov to Laika only as the objects of experiment.

And on cats, despite the existence in our homes of "Russian" Blues, there is no word about them today from the land where at least that one breed supposedly originated.

Can it be that the cat, whose strong sense of property rights and of independence are so clearly evident, does not find itself at home in a totalitarian atmosphere?

Or is the struggle for existence there so hard that there is no time or food left for pets?

If that is the case, perhaps the current softening of the communist police-state attitudes and the increases in consumer production will allow the Russian cat to come into his own.

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HINTS & HELP

Dear Editors:

You ask how we would like to improve the magazine and I have one suggestion and one request. The suggestion: Most of your readers are just ordinary cat lovers and we get fed up with all these pages and pages about cat shows.

The request: I would very much appreciate an article on why most older cats seem to develop a weakness in the hind legs, and what to do about it. I have seen so much of it, and now my own twelve-year-old Siamese is showing signs of it.

Mrs. A. E. Cunningham

584 Victoria Ave. Victoria, B. C., Canada

TRAILER TRAVELERS

Dear Editors:

I wish all articles regarding spaying female cats were required reading for all cat owners.

We have two spayed female Domestic Shorthairs that we call "trailer cats" as they have traveled in our trailer over 16,000 miles with us on vacations and weekends the past two years. They are so much happier being with us than they would be had we boarded them.

Mrs. O. E. Raines

13120 Braden Avenue Sylmar, Calif.



POSTAGE DUE

Dear Editors:

Neike started his postal career at the age of eight weeks. For two and one half years, he went to work daily and never took any annual or sick leave.

Suddenly, he grew weary of the admiring friends who invariably disturbed his naps in the locker boxes and decided to quit. No retirement checks have been received, but after all, he isn't quite eligible yet.

Mrs. L. H. Suddith, Jr.

16 Longstreet Ave. Highland Springs, Va.

PICTURE PROBLEM

Dear Editors:

People are people and magazines must have trouble pleasing people. I had submitted photos in contests and wondered why I never won, but then read that a cluttered background may ruin an otherwise good shot.

CATS June issue with a lovely child and three kittens renewed my personal belief that a cat against a plain blank wall wasn't the acme of photography.

Mrs. Loome's letter in the August issue got me all stirred up again. I have taught forty-two years in the public schools of Baltimore, four summers in summer school and twelve summers on the playgrounds and I still love to see little children with pet cats.

I'm for seeing some of our cats in their normal environment.

I love your magazine except for this one point.

Mrs. Leonora L. Walker 2131 Bolton Street Baltimore 17, Maryland

REFEREE????

Dear Editors:

All my family is very fond of cats and we have had some lovely pets. My son told of one who simply marched into his apartment and took over. My grandson just wrote of an unusual scene which took place in Idaho Falls. He was leaving the cabin area where he had been staving while clamming and noticed two dogs fighting viciously. They were really going at it when suddenly, starting out on a dead run towards the dogs, came a big vellow tomcat. He made a bee-line right up to them and took the last five feet in a long leap, landing on the back of one of the dogs. That broke the fight up and old Tom jumped off and walked away quite calmly. My grandson never did figure out whether he just couldn't pass up a good fight or if the one dog was his friend and he just was helping out.

Mrs. H. E. Chrisman Scottsbluff, Nebr.

CITY CAUTION

Dear Editors:

For four years, I have read every CATS Magazine from cover to cover. I am always pleased to see any article published regarding birth control of pets. I have a pair of lovely Siamese and I had them both altered. I keep them inside at night and when they are outside we watch them. Each has a little harness with the wearer's name, and our name and phone number on it.

We live on a hillside lot and night after night we are awakened by cat fights. A neighbor chooses not to have her female spayed and consequently, both she and her four half-grown kittens run free. These

are examples of the cats that make people cat-haters.

I believe if all cat owners kept their cats in at night and had them altered, unless, of course they wanted to breed them, there would be fewer people who would call cats nuisances. This is particularly true in the city.

Mrs. L. M. Kallejian 990 S. Carmelina Ave. Los Angeles 49, Calif.



SOUND OF A CRICKET

Dear Editors:

Cricket, so named because of the plaintive little chirrups he makes, adopted us last October on a busy Saturday night. Rescued—temporarily, we thought—from our heavy street traffic, he has remained to rule our household with a velvet, iron paw. His favorite pastimes are watching birds, hunting lizards, and eating. His favorite sport, pouncing on moving feet from behind door and chairs. Rambunctious, independent, yet clinging and loving, he has become our adored "second-cat"

We are sending his photo for the onceknown-as-Maltese cat is a rarity out here in the West.

Gladys Cornell

643 So. Avenue 60 Los Angeles 42, Calif.

LET US SPRAY

Dear Editors:

The letter page is my favorite section of CATS. It is interesting to find out that people other than us let their pets run their lives. But who could ask for better bosses?

We have solved some of our problems from reading other folks' mail, but I wish someone could give us some advice on how to break our one-year female-feline from virtually attacking a plastic-leather chair to which she has taken a fancy. We are trying a spray. . . But if that doesn't work???????

Mrs. Virginia Rigby

6 Riverview Ave. Ft. Thomas, Ky.

CAT IN A BAG

by Eileen Sonin

Photographs by Clive Webster

Like so many in the newer apartments in Toronto, we are not allowed to keep any pets where we live, so when I received a birthday gift of a Siamese kitten, you can just imagine my consternation! She was so adorable, so tiny, and her blue eyes gazed into mine with such trust that I was lost, completely. She had to be mine.

What to do? How to keep her? That was my problem, and I wrestled with it all that Sunday. Even if I trained her to be quiet in the apartment, we were at the office all day. The superintendent had a key, and popped in to deposit tradesmen's deliveries, inspect radiators, hot water taps, etc., etc. To enlist his help was unthinkable; he was a stickler for rules and, anyway, he didn't like us very much, so that was out. What to do. . . . ?

Monday dawned and I was still thinking, so I tucked the kitten under my coat and slunk down the back stairs—the elevator was self-service, but to use it was asking for trouble. Luckily I met no one in my stealthy exit down the four lengthy flights, and the long march between the two apartment blocks—all with windows and all overlooking my route—was accomplished safely.

The office was no problem—my husband and I have our own business. Our friendly landlord, Joe, was a little surprised but, on my promise that the toilet amenities would be carefully observed, gave his consent for us to keep her there with us.

Now a young Siamese is playful, vocal



Ting-a-ling helps out at the office,

and a great lover of company, and it was unthinkable that she should spend the long evenings and nights alone in empty offices. What to do. . .? Eureka, I had it! We would smuggle her in and out daily.

I went searching for suitable smuggling tools and eventually found just the thing: a large purse-cum-shopper made from dark gray felt, trimmed with emerald green leather with a lid flap which fastened securely but left space at either end for breathing purposes.

That night, we approached the "enemy"

with some trepidation; there were so many possibly hostile pairs of eyes. Any other of the tenants who spotted her might turn informer—either from reasons of jealousy, because they themselves wanted to keep a pet, or just because they were cat haters.

I carried her on my arm until we had almost reached our objective, and then loaded her into the darkness of the bag. Except for one meow of protest as I lifted her in, she was silent.

We have two doors to enter and a large entrance hall to cross before we even reach the elevator and, needless to say, that evening (as on most evenings) the elevator was on another floor and we had to stand and wait, with our hearts in our mouths.

We reached our apartment on an upper floor without any mishap and made a great fuss over the tiny little thing who



Seeing the world on the way home.

seemed to know she was part of a plot and entered into the spirit of the operation wholeheartedly.

That was six months ago, and we have been conducting the same maneuver daily, except for weekends, ever since.

We set off in the mornings separately, as my husband insists that he is boss of the office and it would be unthinkable for the boss to arrive before the members of his staff! So he stays in bed until the voice on the radio tells him "It is executive rising time", and then he gets up, just as I am about to disappear out of the door, carrying cat in bag, plus my purse and any other accessories that the weather may demand, such as an umbrella or sunglasses.

Ting-a-ling (christened thus because of an overwhelming passion for bells) submits quietly to having her coat put on. This is necessary as we think Siamese cats are likely to catch cold, and the change from the warmth of the apartment to the outside world is a bit sudden. We then depart for the office, leaving "the executive" to follow, carrying the sandwiches which I have made earlier, Ting's lunch, and all sorts of envelopes and bundles of papers which he seems to find necessary to have with him at all times.

Once clear of the "Gestapo" of the apartment block, Ting is removed from the bag and sits on my arm surveying the world with great interest until we arrive at the office where she proceeds to settle



A final breath of air before the dangerous last lap.

down to a day of enjoyment.

She has several toys—all with bells attached (if ever she is missing, all we have to do is tinkle a bell, and there she is)—but her favorite pastime by far is tormenting one of our staff members who is not a cat-lover and is, frankly, a little scared of her.

We have a communicating door between our two offices and if ever this is left open, she dashes in and alights on his shoulder or his desk. She then proceeds to play with his papers and pencils, sticks her nose into the paste that he is using, or steals his eraser and runs off with it to hide it. An anguished yell of "Ting!" gives us the cue to rescue him, but he hates her messing about with his things and she knows it, so,

The carrying bag is getting a little on the small side now as Ting is growing rapidly, and sometimes I am appalled to see a snaky brown paw dart out of the flap at the end of the bag, followed by



Once again-safe at home on the windowsill.

the unwinking stare of a bright blue eye—a little disconcerting for any unsuspecting passer-by! I shall soon have to find another, larger bag that looks important enough to be carried daily to the office.

The other evening, we were in the ele-(Continued on page 16)

REWLINES BOUT FELINES

STORM

The Cat lies somnolent upon a chair, Head bent toward curving spine, but body tense.

Outside a baleful fury fills the air With a fixed massiveness of closed suspense

Which charges on us now with shattering blare;

We are benumbed, prisoners without defense.

The Cat leaps down, he ventures to our side;

Together crouched, we watch the tempest ride.

-Fay Fenwick

DUO NOVICE

Scamps, scoundrels scuffle and scurry; Noses black. white bodies furry; Hunch, arch, small backs bristle; Tails straight, elongated thistle; Stretch, slink, dream in repose; Tails, ears soon will match nose. -Rachel Ann Bolton

YOUNG CAT

Sits there neat tail around feet in a carved line of silk rug shine from primrose nose to cushion toes with sleeping claws Purr-motors pause: his only business is kitten is-ness.

-Ing Smith

FELINE PHILOSOPHY

I try to understand And not to reprimand: Perhaps it is not in your power To leave, untouched, a vase and flower.

You share my board and roof And yet remain aloof; And I am not in your good graces

Until I have restored the vases. Just tell me this, my cat: What is the reason that,

Although you are adjudged the sin-

You manage to emerge the winner? -Ruby Lytle

THE DILLY-DALLYER

The length of time that Puss will stand

with tail-tip just inside the door is never artlessly unplanned, but gauged to plumb good-nature's

-Jean McElrath

MOONLIGHT BALLET

In the heady delight of a late autumn night

On a moon-dappled portion of lawn, Four kittens in grev perform a ballet. The first lovely hour before dawn.

They twirl, and they jump, and they

Retreat and advance in a fairy-foot dance-

Puffballs on the frost-ambered grass, As my heart claps its hands at the sight.

-Martha Sherwood Johnson

GOLDEN ANGORA

Your coat is the color of a sunburnt field:

Your eyes are palest amber, set With vesicae of black obsidian Or splinterings of glittering jet; Your whiskers spray out like a fairy's brush

On either side your snubby pinktipped nose:

Your ears are pointed caps of velvet plush

Filled with a silken flush of snowy hair;

Your neck is circled by a spreading ruff

That gives you an Elizabethan air Of dignity and sumptuous aplomb; And, like Queen Bess, you often choose to lie

Among a pile of cushions on the floor:

Always you walk with your great tail held high

Like the stiff plume on a hussar's

tall cap; And when apprised the banquet board is spread,

You eat as daintily as Chaucer's

But if the fare displeases, turn your

In faint disgust, and promptly wash your face

With paw wet by a tongue like a flower petal, All offending odor to erase.

-Miriam Banks

SEASONAL CHANGE

Having stalked summer (reluctant that this sport must go) the boldeyed Cat at fall of year arrives frost tamed and domestic; survives the bleakness burrowing in cushions, so winters remembering time past. He sleeps and purrs but waits only the sun to bring his Tiger spring. -Margaret C. Bell

DOMESTIC SHORTHAIR:

An elegant way Of saying that Virginia is only An alley cat, (Purchased for just Three dollars flat.)

But her eyes are bright, And her gums are pink, And her speckled fur Has the feel of mink. (She's rather a nice Little cat, I think.)

Virginia acts Like a young queen bee, Exactly as if She'd a pedigree (And cost me fifty Instead of three.) -Emily C. Rushworth

BROWN LEAF ON A KITTEN'S TAIL

It would appear

That age and youth are present here. Of course, it's questionable whether The two belong together: And yet, when all is done and said, It's clear That youth goes on ahead, While age is in the rear! -Grace V. Watkins

WANT AD

"Little yellow kittens given away". . The most wistful ad in many a day! I've read and re-read; it's all I can do

To stay where I am, and not get a few!

But there must be people, needing

In the shape of kittens, gold as sun, And the ad COULD read, like a merry song:

"Little yellow kittens belong, belong!"

-Lee Avery

THE CAT IN ANCIENT RELIGIONS

by Eddie W. Wilson

While in the Bible the cat is mentioned only in the Apocrypha, it holds a prominent place in many sacred writings. It is also a part of the myths of the ancients, and helps present the religious ideals of those early peoples.

Because the cat can see in the dark, perhaps, it became in early Egypt a symbol of the sun and a symbol of the splendor of light. There throughout thousands of years it was held in reverence to the point of worship.

The Egyptian cat was considered a form of the Sun-god Ra, supreme ruler and father of the gods. The male cat was

Rā himself.

An interesting illustration of Rā's power is shown in the Book of the Dead, a body of literature intended for the use of the soul after death, a papyrus which may date from a period three to four thousand years before Christ. Rā, in cat-like form, is in the act of cutting off the head of a serpent which represents darkness. This victory is meant to tell the beings in the Underworld who were once men that Ra continues to be interested in their welfare.

On a royal tomb at Thebes there is inscribed a lengthy hymn of praise to Rā that says: "Praise be to thee, O Ra, exalted Sekham; thou are the Great Cat, the avenger of the gods, and the judge of

words."

From the earliest days the Egyptian goddess Bast was represented with the head of a cat. She was goddess of fire, a personification of the power of the sun which makes itself manifest in the form of heat.

The cat of early Egypt was fed a special diet consisting of bread, milk, and slices of fish caught in the waters of the Nile. It was called to its meal by special sounds. In Bubastis-the city most sacred to Bast-whoever killed a cat, whether accidentally or intentionally, was condemned to die, and Herodotus tells us that when a cat died the members of its household shaved their eyebrows. At its death the cat was placed in a linen sheet, removed to the embalmers who prepared its body with spices and drugs and laid it in a special case. The mummy was finally buried in a sacred place, usually Bubastis.

Early Egyptian artists delighted in portraying the image of the cat in paintings or in stone or bronze. For instance at Thebes upon the wall of a mortuary chapel of Nakht, a Scribe of the Granaries, the spirited figure of a cat catching a fish stands out in bright colors. Many museums of the world contain likenesses of the Egyptian cat in stone or bronze. These are from varying dynasties.

The Babylonian Talmud mentions certain admirable qualities of the cat. It advocates the breeding of cats which "help to keep the house clean." It observes, "If

the Torah had not been given we could have learnt modesty from the cat, honesty from the ant, chastity from the dove."

A man should not enter a house [without shoes] where there is no cat in the dark. What is the reason? Lest a snake wind itself about him without his knowing, and he come to danger.

In Arabia the cat is held sacred by the Mohammedans because the Prophet once had a cat of which he was very fond. It is said-and what cat lover would not do the same-that at one time when he was obliged to go to prayers he cut off a piece of his sleeve on which she was lying rather than disturb her.

Li Khi, a collection of treatises on the rules to be observed in the Taoistic religion of ancient China, says that offerings should be made to cats "because they devoured the rats and mice which injured the fruits of the field."

The Milinda, a Buddhist treatise originating in India, gives certain qualities that the Bhikshu or begging monk should have. One of these qualities is "Self-possession," and it is described as follows:

Just, O King, as the cat in frequenting caves and holes and the interiors of storied dwellings, does so only in the search after rats; just so, O King, should the strenuous Bhikshu, earnest in effort whether he have gone to the village or to the woods or to the foot of trees or into an empty house, be continually and always zealous in the search after that which is his food, namely self-possession. This quality of the cat he ought to have.

Among the Norse goddesses of the Teutonic tribes was Freya or Freyja, goddess of love who was called upon for success in love. She was fond of spring, flowers, music, and the fairies or Elves of Light that lived in her domain Elfheim. She had a feather-dress made of hawk's plumage and could use it for flying but when she rode in her chariot it was drawn by two cats as the cat was sacred to her.

On the other hand, the Druids, a religious order of ancient Gaul, Britain, and Ireland, made the cat representative of the devil and would burn it alive in their fire festivals. This sacrificial custom spread over Europe. In the Vosges Mountains of northeastern France cats were burned on Shrove Tuesday. In Alsace they were thrown into the Easter bonfire. In the Ardennes Mountains of Belgium they were flung into the bonfires kindled on the first Sunday in Lent. But these weigh little against the cat's long standing as god of wisdom and of right.

Scandinavian mythology shows Loki, the personification of malicious mischief,

playing pranks on the gods, meantime accompanied by his huge cat.

The ancient Chinese had a colorful god in Shan Kuei, demon of the mountains. He has been described as "clad in wistaria, girdled with ivy, with smiling lips of witching mien, riding on the red pard [leopard], wild cats galloping in the rear. reclining in a chariot, with banners of cassia, cloaked with orchid, girt with azalea, culling the perfume of sweet flowers to leave behind a memory in the heart."

In the northern coastal region of Peru, as in Egypt, art is important in telling us the religious practices of the people. While the several culture groups which occupied that part of Peru in succession for many years previous to the Spanish Conquest left no written records, they made "picture books" in clay. These ceramics, faithfully executed, give a colorful panorama of Peruvian life 1,500 years ago.

Here we are most interested in the highly-developed Mochican group. In its rich ceramic art, there are scenes of religious ritual that portray the worship of an old man with cat-like features, evi-

dently a feline god.

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OCTOBER PICTURE OF THE MONTH



INQUIRE WITHIN

The gal who submitted this photo suggested LEFT BEHIND as a caption. We, being incurable Pollyannas, plus having the right of editors to alter material (what misplaced license!!), rather like to believe that here is an independent fellow who became dissatisfied with either the kitchen fare or the help at his former residence and decided to find something a little more to his liking.

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"FUNGUS" IN CATS AND

"Tips to the Novice" by Blanche Wolfram

This article is an important addendum to our discussion last month on the three methods of treating fungus disorders (ringworm) in cats.

Ringworm is one of the few afflictions of cats which can be transmitted to humans. And although such transmission is relatively rare, it (along with similar conditions in other animals) has been the subject of an extensive study by members of the Public Health Service at the Communicable Disease Center in Chamblee,

Under the direction of William Kaplan, Lucile K. Georg, Libero Ajello, and others, many facts of interest to us cat owners were established. Veterinarians from all parts of the country submitted clinical materials from animals with skin lesions for study, so the survey holds for all the United States rather than just for the locale of the Center.

The complete report on this work was published under the title Recent Developments in Animal Ringworm and Their Public Health Implications, by William Kaplan, Lucile K. Georg, and Libero Ajello, in the Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences, Volume 70, Article 3, pages 636-649. With the authors' permission, I shall use some of the information therein for the next few paragraphs acquainting us with the seriousness of this public health problem.

Out of a total of 2361 lesion-material specimens examined by the Center, 524 were from cats, and 200, or 38 percent of these specimens from cats were found to be positive for ringworm.

Microsporum canis (M. felineum in cats) is the common cause of ringworm in cats and dogs. Although it primarily affects animals, human infections by this fungus are not uncommon. It is readily transmitted to man by animals, particularly by cats and dogs, and is responsible for the majority of the "animal-type" ringworm infections in the urban human population of the United States. Personto-person transmission of this fungus can occur, the authors state, but the organism appears to lose its infectivity after a few such human passages. Thus, large-scale epidemics in man are not caused by infection from cats, but isolated or group infections do occur.

The article points out, too, that epidemic ringworm of the scalp in children which in recent years has involved thousands of children throughout the country is NOT associated with cats. The fungus

Microsporum audouinii which causes it is considered to be solely a human pathogen, with animals playing no role.

Nor, are such afflictions as "athlete's foot" or ringworm of the groin and nails acquired from cats. These are due to a type of fungus which seems to affect only humans, and animals have not been shown to play any part in their spread.

It is the ringworm of the exposed parts of the body such as the scalp (excepting the epidemic type), the face, the neck, and the extremities which can be transmitted from cats and other animals. In the rural sections of the United States it is estimated that approximately 70 to 80 percent of fungus infections involving the exposed parts of body are caused by animal-type fungi, and in urban populations it is estimated that 10 to 30 percent of such infections can be traced to animals.

The very significant part of the study to us is this: "Among the owners of the 200 cats found to be infected with ringworm, there was a history of skin lesions among members of 63 of the families. In all such cases Microsporum canis (felineum) was recovered from the cats involved. As far as could be determined, in 12 instances in which lesions were reported among human contacts, the cats involved had been recently purchased from breeding establishments; in ten instances the animals involved were strays that had been recently brought into the home; in two episodes the animals had been recently obtained from friends, and in fourteen cases the felines had been permitted to run out-of-doors at will. In the remaining cases it was not possible to obtain additional information. It should be pointed out that in only three of these episodes were the humans cultured by the attending physicians, and M. canis was recovered by the dermatologists from these patients. Therefore, evidence that in the remaining instances the humans were infected by the same agent as the cats must be considered presumptive.'

What does all this mean to us-the breeders and owners of cats? The report of the number of cats involved is very damaging, for although we have no way of estimating what percentage of America's 30,000,000 are infected with fungus, that 534 cases could so easily be found is an eye-opener, particularly when we realize that these specimens came from cats who had been taken to veterinarians, and thus were from families giving them the

best of care.

· How many cases have not been reported is something to think about. This makes it very important for us breeders to do all we can to eliminate fungus. All our Cat Associations, Clubs, and individual members should institute a concerted drive to stamp out fungus so that further blame cannot be directed towards us. If we not only educate ourselves but begin a campaign to inform all individual own-

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ers of cats, we can bring fungus on cats to a complete stop. This is a mission in which all of us must work to bring a complete end to ringworm.

Last month we discussed the relative value of certain products in warding off ringworm in our cats. The purpose of that discussion was to try to bring help to you so that you can maintain good health and beauty to your cats. It will enable you to send out cats to new homes without the danger of your customers contacting fungus. We have gone through a period that was both despairing and disheartening but with these new products, I feel we are at last, on the road to prevention of the spread of fungus.

In regard to children and fungus. The first thing a physician will ask of patients is, "Do you have pets at home?" If they answer in the affirmative the fungus will directly be blamed upon the pets. If however, the fungus were cultured many cases would be found to have not been acquired by the animals. As the report points out: in cities and towns 10 to 30 percent of the cases of fungus could be caused directly by animals but 70 to 90 percent were not! The problem of fungus in children is enormous but all evidence is that the great majority of this fungus is the human variety.

This human variety is very hard to control but with the discovery of Griseofulvin and its use, I am positive that our medical profession can accomplish the task of ending the ravages of fungus. Griseofulvin, of course, was developed for use with humans, but the benefits derived from it our furred friends but can also aid our in its testing on animals have been very gratifying. Now we can not only help children in our coming battle to stamp out fungus—now and forever.

I will be glad to personally answer any questions about fungus problems of your cats which may not have been covered in these two articles. Write me at 30 Highland Ave., R.D. #3, Finleyville, Pa., or phone DIckens 8-5657.

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understand the humanity of cats and the felinity of people.—M.M.

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I feel that the life in the story when Percy got out was very rude and unkind. That points out the fact that it was quite natural for him, when he got back home, to be in a demanding mood for a saucer of warm milk and lots of loving attention.

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Cats Club and Show Reporter

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Persian Society (UCF) has formed with Fresident, Mrs. Kenneth Kirkland; Vice President, Mrs. Carl Sword; Secretary-Treasurer, Phyllis S. Whitney, P.O. Box 57, San Geronimo; Delegate, W. F. Jack Wedel. First show has been scheduled for November 21-22 (see Show Calendar) and prospective exhibitors and members are invited to write the secretary.

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Immediately, a rather fierce-looking woman turned to me. "Did you hear that?" she said. "There must be a cat on that floor; it must have got in from somewhere. I must tell the superintendent." We made no comment and, reaching the fastness of our apartment, collapsed with relief and helpless laughter.

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PROFILE OF THE MONTH



When the suggestion for a section in CATS for Junior Fanciers was published last March, one of the most enthusiastic responses came from Lewis Williams in Billings, Montana.

For Lewis, who is now sixteen, it all started on April 5, 1956. He had always admired cats for their independence and beauty and had been very interested in them, but had never owned a purebred cat. On that April day three years ago, a gorgeous litter of Blue Longhair kits

made their entrance into the world and Lewis was given his pick of the litter.

The special kitten was a male. Lewis named him Abdul, and upon reaching his manhood, Abdul was presented with a Blue

Lewis now had his pair of good cats, and it wouldn't be long until he had realized his dream of being a breeder with cats ir

But, this dream did not have a happy ending. On returning from an out-of-town trip with his father, Lewis learned that both of his pets had been killed by a neighbor's dog!

Lewis was so heartbroken that he couldn't look at a cat for weeks. But that is beginning to pass now, and he tries, too, not to think of the investment he'd lost.

With his hopes and plans shaken to death by a dog, Lewis is starting over, hoping to find a quality Blue LH (Longhair) female, so he can start at the bottom again.

Here's hoping that his goal of Blue LH's in the shows with his name as breeder will come true in the not too distant future. (A note from your Junior Editor: If it had not been for Lewis's letter mentioned above showing the great interest in cats in the under-eighteen group, it is doubtful that this column would have been started.)

JR. DICTIONARY OF SHOW TERMS

1-W (first and winner's)-This expression which you so often hear and which appears in all marked catalogs stands for a First (or blue) ribbon and a Winner's ribbon. The blue ribbon means that the cat is the best in its class-let's say: best Blue LH female novice. The winner's ribbon is the award which gives you points toward your cat's Ch. (championship), depending upon the number of cats present in the show. It designates in this case that our Blue LH female novice (a novice is a cat that's never won a blue ribbon before entering this show) was better than any of the Blue LH female open cats (cats that already have points toward their Ch.). Often, of course, the "first" cat in the open class will take "winner's" over the "first" cat in the novice class.

TO YOU

This column, more than any other in CATS, depends entirely upon YOUR help. It is possible that we can have Jr. Regional and Jr. All-American awards if you will cooperate and if you can help the shows to cooperate by including the ages of junior entries in their catalogs, and by making a place on their entry blanks to specify a junior entry.

To have Jr. national awards will mean that all show catalogs, marked with Junior wins, would have to be sent in so that these wins could be tabulated, or counted.

For the present, I'll try to see that junior wins in any marked catalogs sent to me are given notice in this column. Perhaps next show season the Jr. Regional and the Jr. All-American awards will really be there to work toward.

Let me know what you think of this, let me have your opinion of the column, and send in your own news and ideas.

See you in January !- Tommy Brodie

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OCTOBER 1959

DETROIT PERSIAN SOCIETY (GFA), 36th Ch Show, Detroit, Mich., Feb. 28—March 1, 1959. ALL BREED—Robert E. Martin. Rest Cat, Ch, LH, SC—Bloemhill Shurlock, Blue m., Bilsem. 2nd Best Cat; Best Open—Shawnee Moonsago. Blue m., Jones. tiff Cat, Ch, LH, SC—Davis Frostic of Vherna, Cr f, Nehra. Best Nor—Gurnee's Princess Suzanne, BC f, Gernacy; 05—Vherna's Sylvester, BE Wh m., Nehra. Best FSH, Aby—Selene's Tammy, f, Cole; 08—Selene's Firety, m., Schuler. Best DSH—Gray Harne Farm's Jentleman, ST m., Chapman. Best Mx—Mrs. Kelly of An-Sl, Bir, Bieneman; 08—Kierroo of Creggyn Doo, Bir m., Tomasewski. Best Bur—KokoMo of Elyria, m., Slauter; 05—HRH Marin Arabia of New Moon, f. Dabanski. Best Ber—Theodore of the Crest, m. Matthews; 08—Katrina of Aberdeen, f., Cole. Best Kit—Blue Gables Glamour Girl II, Bc f, Wilson; 08—Blue Star Prince, Blue Wh m., Castleman. Best Neut—Sammy, Bir. Schraub; Spay—Warwick's White Heather, 0E Wb, Thomas. (Other wins not given.) Length 18 FECIALTY—Desethy A. Lee. Rest Cat, Ch, LH, SC—Lee's Hi-Hat Champaign, Cr m., Wilson. 2nd Best Cat.—Your Pets Sooty, Bik m., Baker. 08 Cat, LH, SC; Best Open—Gallahad's Miracle II of Beau-Dette, BE Wh f, Beardalee. O8 Ch—Lee's Hi-Hat Sweet Regardless, BE Will f, Wilson; Open—Warwick Warrior of Candy Cane. Blue m, Green. Best Nor—Castlila Jack Frost, OE Wh m. Carter; 08—Corrinne's Frincess Tootsic Tor, Odd-Cyd Wh f, Jones. Best Sil—Countess of Happy Hill, SS f, Coyne & Ruby; 08—Lowood's Mi-Little Sheba of Laurie, Chin f, Gardiner. Best T&T—Skway's Brown Velvet, BT f, Wheeling; 08—Eastmoor Robyn Maroon, RT m, Peterson. Best Kit—Blue Gables Blonde Blessing II, Cr f, Wilson; 09—Panski. 2nd Best Cat. Ch, FSH, Sis.—Fan-T-Cee's Will-O-We of Tap-Toe, BP f, Dabanski. 2nd Best Cat, Ch, FSH, Sis.—Fan-T-Cee's Will-O-We of Tap-Toe, BP f, Dabanski. 2nd Best Cat, Ch, FSH, Sis.—Fan-T-Cee's Will-O-We of Tap-Toe, BP f, Dabanski. 2nd Best Cat, Ch, FSH, Sis.—Fan-T-Cee's Will-O-We of Tap-Toe, BP f, Dabanski. 2nd Best Cat, Ch, FSH, Sis.—Fan-T-Cee's Will-O-We of Tap-Toe, BP

DELAWARE VALLEY CAT FANCIERS (ACA), 4th Ch Show, Edgely, Penna., Mar. 14, 1959. All BREED—Frances McGraken. Best Cat, Ch, Sil, Lil—Citrus Ridge Ro of Esperance, SS f. Fillian. 2nd Best Cat; OS SC, OS SI, Biest FSH, Bur.—Dobyn's Burma of Sheramain, f. McNaughtan. OS Cat; Best Nor. SC, SH, DSH—Pumpkin O'Tsinghai, Bik m, Leopold. Best Open; 08 LH—Chaz-e Baron, OE Wh m, Crase. Best T&T—Eleo's Top Brass of McKinley Park, RT m, Fouqué; 08—Shawnee Masquerade of Robsway, Tortie f. Thompson. Best Sia—Madali Tsansu. CP f. Christy: 08—Mont-Chiang Frestee, LP m, Reynolds. OS Ch. SII—Frosti of Angelus, Chin m, Seedi. OS Nor—Bean Ridge Tweeter, SS f, Bean. OS Open—High Haven's Carol of Briar Brae, C Wh f, St. Georgee. Best Mx—Nantha's Cadance of Tra-Mar, Blk f, Tracy. OS Mx, FSH—Manxland Morolng Mist of Tra-Mar, OE Wh m, Tracy. OS DSH—Wolfgang's Ellier Comet of Addick, ST f, Dickey. OS Bur—Sheramain's Pacemaker, f, McNaughtan. Best RB—Addick's Anya of Betty Lou, f, MacDonald. Best Aby—Selen's Firefy, m, Schuler; OS—Selene's Tammy, f, Cole. Best Kit.—Su-Ryan Burna Topax, Bur f, Rosenberg; OS Kit.—(Name Pending), OE Wh m, Thoman. Best Neut—Aster's Silver Boy of Cobourg, SH, Balsley; Spay—Jezebel's Misty Miss Mimi. LH, Di Torio. L@MGHAIR SPECIALTY—Insk Foster. Best Cat. Nov, T&T.—Elco's Top Brane McKinley Park. 2nd Best Cat; OS Cat. Rest Ch. Sc.—Cotton Bail of Rose Lane, OE Wh f, Bean. OS Ch, Sil.—Froati of Angelus of Jim-me. OS Nor—Bean Ridge Tweeter. OS T&T.—Shawnee Masquerade of Robsway. Best Open—Cheri of Beverly-Serrano. Chin f, Seeds; OS—Craz-E Baron. Best Sil.—Citrus Ridge Eo of Experance. Best Kit.—(Name Pending), OE Wh m, Thoman. Best Neut—Beau Loki, LH, Eyster; Spay—Jezebel's Misty Mim Mimi. SNORTHAIR SPECIALTY—Winfred Steele. Best Cat. Nov, FSH, Aby.—Dabru of Sheramain, m, McNaughtan. 2nd Best Cat; OS Cat. Nov, FSH, Aby.—Dabru of Sheramain, m, McNaughtan. 2nd Best Cat; OS Cat. Nov, FSH, Aby.—Dabru of Sheramain, m, McNaughtan. 2nd Gest Cat. LP, f. Offenhauer; OS—Raintres Jo-D of Pat-An, SP m, Oliboon. Best T&T.—Pat-An

EASTERN SHORE CAT FANCIERS (ACFA), 2nd RM Tpi Ch Show, Cambridge, Md., April 5, 1959. ALL BREED—Frases Kasisrawaki. Best Cat, Gr Ch, SH, FSH. Sis.—Wolfgang's Fraunde of Timfy, SP f, Denny, 2nd Best Cat, Gr Ch, SH, FSH. Sis.—Wolfgang's Fraunde, GR Ch, H, FSH. Sis.—Wolfgang's Fraunde, GR Ch, H, FSH. Sis.—Wolfgang's Fraunde, GR Ch, SH, FSH, Sis.—Portice DSH f, Sierkeng, GR Ch, SH, FSH, Sis.—Fan-T-Cec Phoenix Wolfgang, RP m, Wolfgang, RP m, Songer; OS—Veia Suda Chol, SP f, McKendry, Best Open—Ariman Von Babylon, Bit Bn, Kane; OS—Cherl of Beverly-Berrano, Chin f, Seeda. Bost Sil; OS LH—Wolfgang's Madel, Bik Smk f, Wolfgang, GR 74T—Marison Tiger-O. BT m, Lovett; SC—Gforth Frosti Frolte, OE Wh f, Werner; Sil.—Frosti of Wila Blite, Odd-Eyed Wh f, Slauter; Aby—Slue Gress Trachymene, m, MacDonaid; RB —Addick's Anya of Betty-Lou, f, MacDonaid; Bur—Konfecke EzebaKa, f, Slauter. 68 Bur—Konfecke Kokolfo, m, Slauter. Best Kit—Cinderella Tima Marie, Blue f, Kane; OS—Mariosh Trincess Aries. New States States of Child, School, Schoo

Cats Show Calendar

October

3-4—Buffalo, N. Y.—Buffalo Cat Fanciers, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Stella Harlos); LH & SH Specialties (H. B. Zieses).

4-Minneapolis, Minn. COMBINED SHOW: Gopher State Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Don Clapp); LH & SH Specialties (Lorraine Weisemann). American National Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Evelyn King); LH & SH Specialties (Whitney Abt).

10-11—Wilmington, Delaware—Delaware Cat Fanciers (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. Walker R. Johnston); Longhair Specialty (Stella Calvert); Shorthair Specialty (Dorothy Brooks).

17-Hamden, Conn.—Siamese Cat Club of Connecticut (ACA). Siamese Specialty (Jack Foater).

17-18—Buffalo, N. Y.—Queen City Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Christine Hartmann); LH Specialty (Betty Groell); SH Specialty (Edna Fields).

17-18—Minneapolis, Minn.—Twin City Cat Fanciers, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Doris O'Connell Springer); SH Specialty (Cecil Novak); LH Specialty (Stella Harlos).

17-18—Hempstead, L.I., N. Y.—Long Island Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Frances Herms); LH & SH Specialties (Genevieve O'Neill).

O'Neill).

Rochester, N. Y.—Genesee Cat Fanciers Club, Inc. (CFA).

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Philadelphia, Pa.—Penn State Cat Club (CFF), All Breed (Gertrude Hamaker); LH & SH Specialties (Doris Hobbs).

Milwaukee, Wisc.—Mid-West Feline Fanciers (CFF). All Breed (Mrs. Walter Rehbein); LH & SH Specialties (James J. Small, Ir.).

24-25—Bilwaukee, Wisc.—Bild-West Feinne Fanciers (CFF). All Breed (Mrs. Walter Rehbein); LH & SH Specialties (James J. Small, Jr.).

24-25—Portland, Ore.—Willamette Valley Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Helen Mueller). LH & SH Specialties (Conrad C. Barr).

25—South Pasadena, Calif.—Siamese Cat Society (UCF). Siamese Specialty (Tanya Hokin); All Breed Shorthair (Ann Manley); Alternate (Ruth Lentz).

31-Nov. 1—Denver, Colorado—COMBINED SHOWS: Colorado Cat Fanciers, Inc. (ACFA). All Breed (Meller); LH and SH Specialties (Evelyn King). American National C. C. (ACFA). All Breed (Mars Hanson).

31-Nov. 1—Long Beach, Calif.—Pacific Cat Fanciers (ACA). All Breed (LaVona Wright); SH Specialty (Frank Magnan); LH Specialty (Edith Williams).

31-Nov. 1—Chicago, III.—North Shore Cat Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Kay McQuillen); LH & SH Specialties (Frances Herms).

31-Nov. 1—Boston, Mass.—Boston Cat Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Laura J. Graham); LH & SH Specialties (tba.)

31-Nov. 1—Cleveland, Ohio—Lake Erie Cat Club (CFF). All Breed, Shorthair, Longhair (tba).

November

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1—Montreal, Canada—Montreal Cat Fanciers Association (ACA).

All Breed (Jack Foster); Longhair Specialty (Margaret Lovett);

Shorthair Specialty (John Osborn).

8—Bridgeport, Conn.—Connecticut Cat Fanciers (CFF). All Breed (Doris Hobbs); LH & SH Specialties (Jasperine Jones).

8—Toledo, Ohio—Maumee Velley Cat Club (UCF). QUAD SHOW:

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(Mrs. Michael E. O'Brien); LH & SH Specialties (Naomi Favors).

14-15-Indianapolis, Ind.—Hoosier Cat Fanciers, Inc. (CFF). All Breed (Christine Hartmann); LH & SH Specialties (Lila Rippy).

14-15-Oklahoma City, Okla.—Oklahoma Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Helen Mueller and Patricia Krebs); Specialties (Lorraine Wiesemann and Whitney Abb). (COMBINED SHOWS).

14-15-Sacramento, Calif.—Sacramento Valley Cat Fanciers, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Doris O'Connell Springer); LH & SH Specialties (Mrs. C. F. Rotter).

21-22-Providence, R. I.—All Breed Cat Club of the Northeast, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Blanche Wolfram); LH Specialty (Rita Swenson); SH Specialty (Dorothy Brooks).

21-22-Scottsdale, Ariz.—Arizona Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Ralph Boren); LH & SH Specialties (Helen Mueller); Breed & Color Specialties (Patricia Krebs).

21-22-Los Angeles, Caiif.—West Shore Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Beth O'Donovan); LH & SH Specialties (Naomi Favors).

28-29-Milwaukee, Wisc.—Milwaukee Cat Club, (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. C. F. Rotter); LH & SH Specialties (Richard Gebhardt).

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ALL-SECTIONAL AND ALL-AMERICAN ADDENDA

We regret that through oversight one of the Frost Point females tied for All-Eastern was omitted in the August issue. The full listing should have read:

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Frost Point Siamese: Female (TIED)—Gr. Ch. Monk Chiang Ho Sui (AE 58), William Gregson, and Ch. Suffolk's Champagne Mist of Ping, Hazel Dyott; HM—Van Lyn Frost Venus of Gin-Lee, Virginia Offenhauser.

Our apologies also for showing incorrect initials for Mrs. C. E. Leonard, owner of Tr. Ch. El Gato Azul's Michi of Blue Sky (WHM 57, AW 58, 59) in the All-Western Cream Longhair Female listing.

We also want to correct three misadventures in the advertisements in the September issue. Bob and Harriet Wolfgang, 4300 Brook Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.; Mrs. John W. Hoag, Darien, Conn., and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Krebs, 20744 Parthenia St., Canoga Park, Calif., are the correct names and addresses.

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—Petaluma, Calif.—San Geronimo Valley Persian Society (UCF).

All Breed (Helen Mueller); LH Specialty (Dorothy Denning; SH Specialty (Bonnie Birkett); Kitten All Breed (Ruth Fischer).

—Vancouver, B. C.—Cat Fanciers Club of British Columbia (ACFA). All Breed (Patricia Krebs); LH & SH (tba).

—Columbus, Ohio—Ohio State Persian Club (CFA). All Breed—Ch. (Mrs. John Hunter); All Breed—non-Ch. (Mrs. Arno Beck); LH Specialty (Rita Swenson); FSH & DSH Specialties (Mrs. Wesley Novak).

—Albuquerque, New Mexico—The New Mexico Cat Fanciers (CFA). All Breed (Mrs. W. K. Johnston); LH & SH Specialties (Mrs. C. C. Strange).

—Shreveport, La.—Shreve Cat Fanciers (ACFA). All Breed (Price Cross); LH & SH Specialties (Bert Tebbetts).

December

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4—Dallas, Texas. ACFA Judges' School. (See Below)
5-6—Dallas, Texas.—COMBINED SHOWS: North Texas Cat Club
(ACFA). All Breed (Helen Mueller); LH & SH Specialties
(Whitney Abt). American National Cat Club (ACFA). All
Breed (Ree Rathburn); LH & SH Specialties (Don Clapp).
5-6—Tucson, Ariz.—Tucson Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Ruth McNaughtan); LH & SH Specialties (Ruth Lents).
5-6—Jersey City, N. J.—Garden City Cat Club of N. J. (CFA). All
Breed (Matil Rotter); Siamese and All SH ex Siamese Specialties
(Sven Nelson); Solid Color, Tabby & Tortie, Silver Specialties
(Kate Carroll).
5-6—Pittsburgh. Pa.—Allerheny Valley Cat Club (CFF). Cancelled.

(Kate Carroll).

5- 6-Pittsburgh, Pa.—Allegheny Valley Cat Club (CFF). Cancelled.

12-13—New York, N. Y.—Atlantic Cat Club (CFF). All Breed (Lucy Clingan); LH & SH Specialties (J. J. Small. Jr.)

19-20—Las Vegas, Nevada—The Purple Sage Cat Fanciers of Southern Nevada (ACFA). QUAD SHOW: All Breed and Specialties

January

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9-10—Burbank, Calif.—San Fernando Valley Cat Club (CFA). All
Breed (H. B. Zieses); LH Specialty (Elsie Flaherty); SH
Specialty (Miriam Williams).

9-10—Kensas City, Mo.—MoKan Cat Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed
(Gladys Weirich); LH & SH (Louise Heron).

16-17—Minneapolis, Minn.—Minneapolis Persian Club (ACA). All Breed
(Ruth McNaughtan); LH & SH Specialties (Gertrude Hamaker).

16-17—Phoenix, Arisona—Canyon State Cat Club (ACA). All Breed
(Edith Schulte); LH & SH Specialties (Louise Price).

23-24—Albany, N. Y.—Albany Cat Fanciers (CFA). All Breed; LH;

23-24—San Diego, Calif.—COMBINED SHOWS: San Diego Cat
Fanciers (CFA). All Breed (Frances Herms); LH & SH Specialties (Doris O'Connell Springer). Town & Country Cat Club
(CFA). All Breed (Richard Gebbardt); LH Specialty (Fannie
Mood); SH Specialty (Ken Bartlett).

23-24—Columbia, So. Car.—Palmetto Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Louise
Reed); LH & SH Specialties (Blanche Wolfram).

30-31—Chicago, Ill.—Lincoln State Cat Club (CFA). All Breed (Julia
Hunter); SH Specialty & Siamese Specialty (Cecil Novak); LH
Specialty (Louise Sample).

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February
6-7-Memphis, Tenn.—COMBINED SHOWS: Memphis Dixieland Cat Club (ACFA). All Breed (Mars Hanson); LH & SH (tba). American National Cat Club (tba).
6-7-St. Petersburg, Fla.—Sunshine City Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (tba); SH & LH Specialties (tba).
13-14—Las Vegas, Nev.—Golden Meadow Pelines (UCF). All Breed; LH & SH Specialties. (Judges tba.)
13-14—Houston, Texas—Houston Cat Club, Inc. (CFA). All Breed (Matil Rotter); LH & SH Specialties (Julia Hunter).
20-21—Detroit, Mich.—Detroit Persian Society (CFA). All Breed (Naomi Favors); LH & SH Specialties (Blanche Wolfram).
20-21—San Mateo, Calif.—San Francisco Cat Club (ACA). All Breed (Edith Shulte); LH & SH Specialties (Polly Jones).
27-28 Independence, Mo.—COMBINED SHOWS: Kansas City Midwest All Breed Cat Club (ACFA) and American National Cat Club (ACFA). (tba).

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The Back Fence.

'Tis said, "A ghost cat guards October, and celebrates its reign on Halloween." Therefore, it seems acceptable for a catlovin' columnist to use ghost writers and have more time to spend enjoying this month's "bright blue weather."

Henrietta Hitchcock, the New York World-Telegram and Sun reporter on cats, will have owners of aging cats running like rabbits to their veterinarians. She mentions a special geriatric tonic available for old cats. It is still in the experimental department, but seems to do wonders for her teen-age pets. In another column she reports on tooth-cleaning. Her doctor feels cats' teeth should be scraped three or four times a year. He is supplying her with a liquid stain-remover to be applied every ten days (sale of Q-Tips to grow). If the tarter can be limited, by removing stains, it may well be worth the probable hassle the owner will be put to while trying to hold a protesting keep-out-of-my-mouth cat.

Rose Bennett (Richmond News Leader), the gal who gave us the fable we used last month, wrote more of the same type material and we think you'll enjoy reading it. Along with the cat's faithfulness to women, there followed proof of women's loyalty to cats.

For example, what self-respecting witch would be caught without her cat? What love potion worth its making doesn't include at least the whisker of the feline?

Then, too, the serenade of a love-lorn tom may bring a rash of size twelve brogans from disturbed sleepers but rarely will the dawn's early light find a lady's dainty mule or slipper around the back fence. More often, the lady of the house will be found calming the nervous lover with a saucer of warm milk in the wee small hours.

The Richmond SPCA recalled a lady who, when she had to go to the hospital, called upon them to find a sitter for her forty-five cats! They also remembered two elderly women who postponed vacation plans when one of their old cats took a turn for the worse. They did get to Florida, two years later after the cat passed away.

The Medical College of Virginia is still reeling from the time when a woman offered to volunteer herself as a guinea pig for radium experiments. Her's was not a case of great humanitarianism, simply... her cat had cancer and she wanted to test the cure before she would allow her cat to undergo treatment.

Miss Bennet closed her report with, "He who said the lion was king of the beasts must have been thinking of old Leo's pint-sized cousin."

But, just as nothing is for sure and there is always the exception, we cite: Hal Boyle of the St. Augustine Record.

He was shaving the other morning when his small sleepy-eyed daughter came into the bathroom carrying her cat, Lady Dottie.

Without speaking, Tracy walked over to the toilet and flushed it three times while the cat, held aloft in her arms, watched with eager intensity. As they left, Mr. Boyle asked,

"What's the big idea?"

"Nothing, Daddy. Lady Dottie just likes to watch waterfalls."

"Well, take her out to the kitchen and turn the faucet there."

"I can't."

"Why not?"

"It's not the same," said Tracy with that air of exaggerated patience children adopt when explaining something to their ignorant elders. "Lady Dottie doesn't like to watch kitchen waterfalls. She likes bathroom waterfalls."

Now, every morning, whether Hal Boyle is late for work or not, all operations in his bathroom halt while Lady Dottie watches her quota of three waterfalls. They have another bathroom, but for some reason (not explained) Lady Dottie does not like to watch waterfalls in it.

Mr. Boyle goes on to say he was once the cat-disdainingest man in America. He writes on to prove he is now what is known in the sporting world as a sitting duck for all felines. . . . 'specially the Lady Dottie.

Another writer, Sam Blackburn of the Big Spring, Texas, *Herald* publically admitted being a sucker for cats.

To use his own words:

"I like their att tude toward life and their arrogant and casual acceptance of the friendship of mere human beings. I get a big kick out of their haughty and impudent natures.

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"A cat has just about decided to adopt us. He has cased the house carefully and has decided we are just the sort of soft-headed idiots he can best handle. He is not rushing the act. He contents himself with reporting to our back door each morning and evening. He meows sadly, clearly advising us he is in the last throes of starvation.

"He allows us to pet him and scratch his head, until he is fed. Then he develops a nervousness which suddenly makes him afraid of us.

"He may even permit us to let him in the house. He may even honor us by curling up on my favorite chair. This vagabond drifter who is sitting on my back steps awaiting a handout has me figured out. He knows I won't chase him and that I will see to it there are tidbits kept for his enjoyment.

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